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Dear Sir:

Introductory Comments

In response to the Office Action mailed May 30, 2007, for which a response is due on August 30, 2007, Applicants request reconsideration. As is discussed below, there is apparent inconsistency between the Response to Arguments section of the Office Action (which indicated that Applicants' arguments were moot in view of new ground(s)) and the Claim Rejections sections (which merely repeated the prior rejections). The result is that Applicants' arguments have not been addressed and Applicants have not been informed of the new ground(s) (if any).